Promotion of tourism in Rajasthan

1713. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure incurred by Government on the promotion of tourism in Rajasthan during the last three years; and

(b) the ongoing schemes and the new schemes proposed by the State Government for which Central assistance has been sought?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI MOHSIN KIDWAI): (a) The Central Ministry of Tourism has incurred an expenditure of Rs. 35.76 lakhs on projects sanctioned during the first three years of the 7th Five Year Plan so far.

(b) Details of ongoing schemes in the State of Rajasthan including those sanctioned during the Sixth Plan are as follows:—

ONGOING SCHEMES

(Rs. in lakhs)

	Name of the Scheme	Amount sanctioned	Amount released
1.	Development of Gadisar Tank and Sunset Point	3.78	3.40
2.	Midway facilities at Pokaran	9.74	8.00
3.	Improvement and Modernisation of Indra Ghat and Karni Ghat at Pushkar	12.99	7.00
4.	Construction of Cafeteria at Tal Vriksha near Alwar.	5.93	4.00
5.	Forest Lodge at Ranthambore	16.52	15.00
6.	Expansion of Tourist Bungalow at Ranakpur	8.38	4.50
7.	Desert National Park at Jaisalmer	15.51	8.00
8.	Mini buses & Jeeps for Alwar, Ranthambore and Bharatpur Sanctuaries	4.77	4.29
9.	Boats for Fatehsagar in Udaipur	3.94	1.00
10.	Mehrangarh Fort—Floodlighting	5.89	5.29

The Ministry of Tourism has received 19 proposals from the Government of Rajasthan for sanction of financial assistance during 1988-89 and these include Yatri Niwases, Vehicles for Wildlife Sanctuaries, Midway facilities, Tourist Complexes, Tourist Bungalows, Water Sports equipment etc.

Task force for drought relieving measures

1714. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Blocks and Districts in different States included under Drought Prone Area Programme;